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New Unit in Attorney General's Office Will Fight Crime at Local Level ***Biden: Police and prosecutors will be working side by side in Wilmington***

Wilmington – Attorney General Beau Biden announced today he has created a unit within the Department of Justice to focus solely on fighting crime in the City of Wilmington.

The Wilmington Unit, led by Deputy Attorneys General Brian Robertson and Matthew Frawley, will consist of eight prosecutors dedicated full-time to working with the Wilmington Police Department on cases involving crimes committed in the city. The unit will handle all types of cases, including violent crimes, property crimes and drug crimes. The prosecutors for the new Wilmington Unit have been reassigned from other parts of the agency. The Attorney General's Office will maintain its Sex Crimes Unit and Homicide Unit.

"We are arresting more and convicting more than we ever have, but we always need to be developing ways to confront new challenges," Biden said. "The Wilmington Unit is the latest step in our efforts to link prosecutors with police and civic leaders in the communities they serve. Prosecutors and police working side by side leads to more effective and efficient operations to take criminals off the streets and make neighborhoods safer. The Wilmington Unit will allow prosecutors to get involved in cases earlier to help the police track down, arrest and prosecute the most violent criminals."

One of the prosecutors assigned to the Wilmington Unit will specifically handle nuisance abatement cases in which the Attorney General's Office acts to shut down drug houses and other properties infested with criminal activity.

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